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FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAND CARRIED FROM NDENA TO PARIS SEPTEMBER 22

1. SITUATION BETWEEN CHAD AND FRANCE CONTINUES TENSE HERE. A FURTHER COMMUNIQUE OF SEPTEMBER 19 FROM THE SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL REFERS TO A FRENCH RADIO BROADCAST OF SEPTEMBER 17. BROADCAST QUOTED AS STATING THAT SINCE HABRE HAD NOT ANSWERED THE RANSOM OFFER, FRENCH AUTHORITIES WOULD MAKE A PARACHUTE DROP ON SEPTEMBER 19 AT YEBBI BOU (IN THE TIBESTI) OF A "WRITTEN MESSAGE AND THE MEANS TO RESPOND" (PRESUMABLY A RADIO). SMC COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT SUCH AN ACT WOULD BE A VIOLATION OF ITS NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND AGAINST ALL RULES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW. ON SEPTEMBER 20 SMC ANNOUNCED THAT A FRENCH AIR FORCE TRANSALL HAD LANDED AT YEBBI BOU.

2. GOC ATTEMPTED TO MOUNT DEMONSTRATION AGAINST FRENCH AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE ON SEPTEMBER 21, BUT RAIN REDUCED TURNOUT TO LESS THAN 300 PERSONS. FRENCH MILITARY FORCES ARE REPORTED ON ALERT STATUS.
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